GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SEIZURE OF ARMS FROM NAXAL HIDEOUTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether arms and ammunitions including detonators and cartridges have been seized from naxalite hideouts and opium crop worth crores of rupees has been destroyed recently in the country particularly in Bihar and Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to check the illegal activities of naxalites in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): As per information available, during 2008, so far, the police have recovered 1170 weapons. In 2007, the police had recovered 352 weapons.

(c): The responsibility for maintenance of law and order, including dealing with naxalite activities, lies primarily in the domain of the concerned State Governments.

Registration,investigation and prosecution of crime are undertaken by the concerned State Governments.

The Central Government also maintains a close watch on the situation and supplements the efforts and resources of the State Governments by various means, which include deployment of Central Paramilitary forces to assist the State Police, sanctioning of India Reserve battalions to augment the strength and capabilities of the State Police, modernization and upgradation of the State Police and Intelligence agencies through the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces, re-imbursement of security-related expenditure, assistance in training of the State Police, sharing of Intelligence, facilitating inter-State coordination and assistance in development works through a wide range of schemes of different Ministries.